



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

**OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

Wednesday, March 2, 2011

10:00 AM

Present: Chairperson Montaña, Vice Chairperson Bacio, Commissioner Bigby and Commissioner Hammargren

Excused: Commissioner Hall, Commissioner Hill and Commissioner Moore

Chairperson Montano led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed with a moment of silence.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Meeting to be called to order by Chairperson Montaña. (11-0994)

Chairperson Montano called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

2. Approval of the February 23, 2011 Minutes. (11-0995)

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Bigby, unanimously carried, the minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2011 were approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

III. REPORTS

3. Chairperson's Report on various items for March 2, 2011. (11-0996)

Chairperson Montaña read and commented on the following letters and newspaper articles:

- **An invitation from Bishop Charles E. Blake Sr., Pastor, West Angeles Church of God in Christ, to attend the 13th Annual Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters and Military Appreciation Day on March 20, 2011.**
- **Letter from Michael B. Linquata, Executive Director,**

Children Are Our Future requesting a meeting with the Commission regarding inspections.

- **Thank you letter from LeRoy D. Baca, Sheriff, regarding the Commission's letter commending Commander Gregory H. Johnson, Lieutenant Michael R. Berg, Deputy Brandy B. Baker and Deputy Elda B. Perico of the North County Correctional Facility for their attentive, responsive and courteous demeanor during the Commissioners inspection of the facility.**

Los Angeles Times Newspaper Articles dated March 2, 2011:

- **High Court Doubts Need for Warrants in Child Abuse Cases**
- **Dependency Courts Should be Open, Panel Told**

4. Treasurer's Report for March 2, 2011. (11-0997)

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$621.09.

5. Staff Report on Correspondence received; and Department Representative Reports. (11-0998)

Nyla Jefferson, Staff, reported on the following:

- **Requested the Commission to review the Draft Annual Report and submit any suggestions prior to the March 9, 2011 meeting.**
- **Commissioner Anne Hill is staying in contact with a number of Group Homes regarding the recruitment of scholarship recipients.**
- **Commission minutes will be submitted as a draft. Following review, the approved version of the minutes will appear on the Commission's website.**

6. Commissioners' Reports on Group Homes and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from February 24, 2011 to March 1, 2011. (11-0999)

Chairperson Montano:

- **Murrell's Farm Boys Home East – 29, #1, the facility was visited on February 28, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition.**
- **Dream Home Care, Inc. #1 – 13, #4, the facility was visited on February 24, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition.**

- **Pacific Lodge Boys Home – 32, #1, the facility was visited on March 1, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition. Areas of Concern: First Aid Kit needs to be re-stocked.**

Commissioner Bigby:

- **Children Are Our Future (Harvey House) – 8, #2, the facility was visited on February 25, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition. Areas of Concern: Cupboard in Bathroom #2 needs painting. Bedrooms #2 and #3 need new mattresses and box spring, weight bench seat needs replacing, update log books. The back seat and headrest in the GMC van needs to be re-upholstered.**
- **Children Are Our Future (Terry House) – 7, #2, the facility was visited on February 28, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition. Areas of Concern: Bedrooms #1 and #2 need new mattresses, box spring, 2 new dressers and screens. Also, six large size towels and six blankets or comforters needed. Bathroom # 2 needs new shower head and tile in shower area replaced.**

Vice Chairperson Bacio and Commissioner Hammargren:

- **B & I Group Home #1 – 2, #2, the facility was visited on February 24, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition. Areas of Concern: Update the Needs and Services Plan and window screen needs replacing.**
- **Boys Republic (Silverlake Residence) – 4, #2, the facility was visited on February 24, 2011, and found to be in satisfactory condition.**

Vice Chairperson Bacio and Commissioner Hammargren requested staff to send a letter and scholarship application to Eugene Garcia of Boys Republic (Silverlake Residence).

In addition, the Commission discussed including the following questions during each Group Home Inspection:

- 1. How do you develop your Needs and Services Plan?**
- 2. Who are the participants in the process, staff, social worker, therapist, etc.?**

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

7. Matters Not Posted

Items not posted on the agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission.

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

8. Public Comment

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission.

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

9. Adjournment

Adjournment for the meeting of March 2, 2011.

The March 2, 2011 meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.